

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF IOWA

## EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBER TWENTY-EIGHT

WHEREAS, the delivery of services by state government agencies can be greatly enhanced by encouraging state agencies to become more innovative and results oriented; and

WHEREAS, Iowa Code Section 7J.1 permits greater administrative flexibility for agencies that are designated by this office as Charter Agencies; and

WHEREAS, specifically, Iowa Code Section 7J.1 provides that Charter Agencies may experience greater flexibility to exercise discretion in agency personnel and procurement decision-making, and may receive access to special support services, provided that these agencies identify new, more efficient methods for achieving results that benefit Iowans, and agree to be held accountable for achieving those results; and

WHEREAS, seven state agencies have agreed to assume the responsibilities of pursuing a more innovative and results oriented approach.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Thomas J. Vilsack, Governor of the State of Iowa, by the power vested in me by the laws and the Constitution of the State of Iowa, do hereby designate: the Alcoholic Beverages Division of the Department of Commerce, the Department of Corrections, the Department of Human Services, the Iowa Veteran's Home, the Department of Natural Resources, Department of Public Safety, and the Department of Revenue and Finance as Charter Agencies, under Iowa Code Section 7J.1. Although periodically reviewable, this designation shall extend through June 30, 2008.

The Iowa Department of Management and the Iowa Department of Administrative Services shall provide each of these charter Agencies with the maximum degree of administrative flexibility allowed under Iowa law, to ensure that these agencies produce the results and savings/revenues that each has committed to in their Charter Agency Agreement.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused the Great Seal of Iowa to be affixed. Done at Des Moines this 1st day of July, in the year of our Lord two thousand three.

THOMAS J. VILSACK

GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

CHESTER J. CULVER SECRETARY OF STATE